

ABSTRACT

A search and a browse on a single user query is performed. A refined
5 query is selected from the results of the first user query. Thereafter, a list of concepts
from a first directory associated with the refined query is obtained. The concepts are
defined in a hierarchical relationship with concepts having broader scope being higher in
the hierarchy and concepts having a narrower scope being lower in the hierarchy.
Additionally, a list of web sites associated with the search concept is obtained from a
10 second directory.